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In accordance with instructions from my Government, I must express serious concerns as regards the information contained in the note verbale dated 13 September 1994 from the Secretary-General addressed to you (S/1994/5/Add.65).

In the annex to the note verbale, the Secretary-General provides information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force, for the period from 9 to 11 September 1994. On 10 September in the late afternoon and evening, mostly from 1830 to 2130 hours, according to the Secretary-General's report, there were 236 unauthorized flights of Serbian rotary-wing aircraft. All were in the area controlled by Bosnian Serbs, in the vicinity of the international border between the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)".

My Government is seriously concerned that, in view of the deployment of ground-based international monitors on the border between Serbia/Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina to ensure the blockade of military equipment and strategic materials to the Bosnian Serb authorities, the Belgrade Government may be resorting to supplying its Bosnian proxies by air. According to the information available to my Government, the Bosnian Serb authorities should not have a sufficient number of rotary-wing aircraft at their disposal to allow for more than 230 flights in only a three-hour time-span.

In view of the draft resolutions presently before the Council, my Government calls on the members of the Council not to condone these developments, but to look into the particularities of the flights in question, and especially information on where the flights originated and where they terminated.

May I request your kind assistance in distributing the present letter as a document of the Security Council.

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